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**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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<b>Title:</b> Communications signal transcoder	

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In response to a non-final office action mailed on 10-15-2008 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20081008) regarding the above-identified U.S. utility patent application, the Applicant respectfully submits the following amendment/response that is being filed within one (1) month of the mailing date thereof.

The one (1) month due date for responding to the office action falls on Saturday, 11-15-2008, and the Applicant respectfully believes that this amendment/response being filed on the immediately following business day, namely, Monday, 11-17-2008, is timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the election/restriction pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.143, provides the reasons therefore below, and provisionally elects claims 1-29 and 68-83.

The Applicant respectfully believes that no fees are due.